

AN ORDINANCE

03- 0-0060

BY: ZONING COMMITTEE

AN ORDINANCE TO PLACE INTERIM CONTROLS ON THE PERMITTING OF PERSONAL CARE HOMES FOR A PERIOD NOT TO EXCEED SIX MONTHS TO ALLOW TIME FOR THE BUREAU OF PLANNING TO UPDATE AND REFORM ITS PROCEDURES FOR PROCESSING SUCH PERMITS; TO ALLOW FOR THE ADOPTION OF AN AMENDMENT TO THE ZONING ORDINANCE TO UPDATE DEFINITIONS AND TERMS RELATED TO PERSONAL CARE FACILITIES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

WHEREAS, the Personal Care Home Map which the Bureau of Planning uses to determine if an application for a Personal Care Home meets the distance requirements is out of date;

WHEREAS, the current overwhelming daily volume of applications for Personal Care Homes does not allow for the time that is needed by the Bureau of Planning to update this map and the other procedures used by it in processing these applications;

WHEREAS, approximately 50 Personal Care Homes have had their licenses revoked by the Georgia Department of Human Resources and time is needed to petition the City Council to have the Special Use Permits for these Personal Care Homes revoked;

WHEREAS, several neighborhoods in the City of Atlanta have expressed concerns that the over saturation of Personal Care Homes affects the quality of life of their residents;

WHEREAS, time is needed for the City to reassess terms and definitions associated with Personal Care Homes in an effort to become more consistent with local, state and county governments and to adopt legislation for that purpose;

NOW THEREFORE BE AND IT IS HEREBY ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ATLANTA AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. That interim controls on applications for any Personal Care Home in the City be in effect for a period not to exceed six months to allow the Bureau of Planning time to update its Personal Home Care Map and the procedures on processing such applications and to allow for the adoption of an amendment to the zoning ordinance updating the terms and definitions associated with Personal Care Homes.

Section 2. That all ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict with this ordinance shall be repealed.